

Letter from Edwin Grosvenor to Gilbert Grosvenor, February 25, 1916

AGB envelope office Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft. [Strong & Cadwalader] George W. Wickersham Henry W. Taft George F. Buttersworth John Henry Hammond Francis Smyth 40 Wall Street, New York. Wm Lloyd Kithcel Edwin P. Grosvenor Cornelius W. Wickersham Edward J. Hancy Cable Address — Labellum. February 25, 1916. Gilbert H. Grosvenor, Esq., Hubbard Memorial Hall, Washington, D. C. Dear Bert:

Referring to the report of Kerr, Page, Cooper & Haywood on the patent phase of the Curtis Aeroplane and Motor Company, I have ascertained that the only patents considered and discussed in the report were the Curtis patent No. 1, 142, 754, dated June 8th, 1915, and the Wright patent No. 821, 393, dated May 22nd, 1906.

I understand that the Curtis Company has obtained other patents, but these are the only ones passed upon in the report of the lawyers.

I do not believe the patent of June 8th, 1915, was one of the patents taken out by the Baddeck Association.

The records in the Patent Office would show what patents had been assigned to the Curtis Aeroplane Company. If you send me the numbers of the patents taken out jointly by the five members of the Baddeck Association I could have our Washington man easily ascertain whether any of those patents had been assigned to the Curtis Aeroplane Company.

Your affectionate brother, Ed. I was unable to examine the lawyers report but was able to indirectly to learn the number of patent considered. They wont let anyone see the report being afraid of patent suits EPG-FT

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NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SOCIETY WASHINGTON DC. CHIEF COUNCIL FOR
CURTIS INTERVIEWED ME HERE AT HIS REQUEST DAVI D WHITCOMB WAS
PRESENT AND CAN TELL YOU ABOUT IT HE ARRIVES WASHINGTON TUESDAY
MORNING TEN THIRTY SUGGEST HIS SEEING BELL AND CAMERON.

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York January 27th, 1916. Mr. W. H. Beck, 1845 Lamont St., Washington, D. C. Dear Sir:

We wrote you a short time ago enclosing our circular on CURTISS AEROPLANE &
MOTOR COMPANY Securities. We wish to draw your special attention to the position of
the Notes of this Company as well as the Preferred stock. The former is a good investment
and is well secured by the property of the Corporation. A bonus of 10% in Common stock

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which is selling at about \$55. per share is issued with these Notes, and in this way the holder is able to participate in the future profits of the business.

The Preferred stock dividend which is accumulative will shortly rank in as high a class as any industrial on the market after the issue has been absorbed by investors. With a bonus of 25% in Common stock, we would recommend this as a good purchase for our customers.

As we have taken the trouble to write you in reference to these securities, would you kindly let us hear from you in regard to this matter.

Very truly yours, Gwynne Bros. DM/AW (Encl.)